

TO THE SOVIET PRESS

IN A WORD, THE MESSAGE IS RADICAL. BUT OUR WORD IS SOBER. IT WAS NECESSARY TO BE BOTH OPTIMISTIC AND REALISTIC. BECAUSE QUESTIONS OF COMBINATION WILL BE ADVANCEMENTS. ELIMINATE EACH A COMBINATION OF A SEVERAL KINDS OF INFORMATION AND ALSO ADDS: THE CHINESE PRESS

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1 JULY EDITORIAL PREPARED CHINESE FOR U.S. TALKS, SAYS AFP

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(TEXT) PEKING, 19 JULY (AFP)--BY JEAN LECLERC DU SABLON--THE CHINESE PUBLIC HAD BEEN INDIRECTLY INFORMED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF JULY AT LEAST THAT A PERIOD OF LONG AND HARD NEGOTIATIONS WAS TO BEGIN WITH AN OLD ADVERSARY, WHICH HAS NOW BEEN DESIGNATED AS THE UNITED STATES.

THE CHINESE PUBLIC, IN THE FACTORIES, PEOPLE'S COMMUNES AND EVEN PRIMARY SCHOOLS, HAS CAREFULLY STUDIED THE LONG EDITORIAL PUBLISHED 1 JULY ON THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY. THIS EDITORIAL CLEARLY INDICATES THAT PRESIDENT NIXON'S VOYAGE TO PEKING, WHILE OPENING NEW PERSPECTIVES FOR WORLD DETENTE, WILL BE MARKED BY TORTUOUS AND DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS.

THE EDITORIAL EXPLAINS HOW TO REPLY TIT FOR TAT TO AN ADVERSARY. IT SAID: IT DEPENDS ON THE SITUATION. IF THE ADVERSARY WANTED TO FIGHT, WE WOULD HAVE ANNIHILATED HIM COMPLETELY. IF HE WANTED TO NEGOTIATE, SOMETIMES IT WOULD BE REPLYING TIT FOR TAT TO REFUSE TO NEGOTIATE, AND SOMETIMES IT WOULD ALSO BE REPLYING TIT FOR TAT TO NEGOTIATE.

THE EDITORIAL WAS WRITTEN IN THE PAST TENSE, BECAUSE IT REFERRED TO RELATIONS BETWEEN THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE KUOMINTANG DURING AND AFTER THE ANTI-JAPANESE WAR. BUT ALL OBSERVERS NOTED THAT THESE HISTORIC RECOLLECTIONS WERE DESTINED TO SERVE AS LESSONS FOR THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE, AND THAT THE PARAGRAPH QUOTED PROBABLY APPLIES TO THE PERIOD OF GREAT DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES ANNOUNCED TO A VISITING FRENCH PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION BY KUO MO-JO, VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS, JUST TWO DAYS BEFORE PRESIDENT NIXON'S VISIT WAS ANNOUNCED.

THE CHINESE, WHO ARE EXPERTS IN GREAT DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES, ARE UNLIKELY TO SACRIFICE THEIR BASIC PRINCIPLES TO ATTAIN THEIR OBJECTIVES, PARTICULARLY THE EVACUATION OF TAIWAN BY AMERICAN TROOPS, THE TOTAL WITHDRAWAL OF AMERICAN FORCES FROM INDOCHINA, AND RECOGNITION OF THEIR RIGHT TO REPRESENT ALL CHINA IN THE UNITED NATIONS, OBSERVERS BELIEVE.

BUT THE CHINESE ARE ALSO EXPERTS IN LONG MARCHES, AND THE EDITORIAL PARTICULARLY STRESSES THAT THE CHINESE PATH IS TORTUOUS AND LONG, AND WARNS AGAINST SOME PEOPLE AFFLICTED WITH IMPETUOUSITY WHO WANT TO SOLVE ALL PROBLEMS OVERNIGHT.

IT WAS CHOU EN-LAI WHO, AT THE END OF THE THIRTIES AND THE BEGINNING OF THE FORTIES, WAS GIVEN THE TASK OF REPRESENTING THE COMMUNIST PARTY WITH RESPECT TO THE KUOMINTANG, THAT ADVERSARY IT WAS NECESSARY TO BE ALLIED WITH AND AT THE SAME TIME TO (WORD INDISTINCT), AS THE EDITORIAL SAID.

IT WAS THE SAME CHOU EN-LAI, NOW PRIME MINISTER, WHO RECEIVED SECRETLY MR. NIXON'S SECURITY ADVISER HENRY KISSINGER AND INVITED THE U.S. PRESIDENT TO VISIT CHINA.

SOME SECTIONS OF THE EDITORIAL WERE QUOTATIONS FROM AN ARTICLE WRITTEN BY MAO TSE-TUNG IN OCTOBER, 1945, CONCERNING THE CHUNGKING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GENERAL CHIANG KAI-SHEK AND HIMSELF.

INFORMED SOURCES SAID THAT CHINESE CADRES HAVE BEEN ADVISED TO READ MAO'S ARTICLE CAREFULLY. IT TAKES ON PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE IN THE LIGHT OF PRESENT DEVELOPMENTS IN CHINESE-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

MAO WROTE: SOME PEOPLE SAY THAT WE SHOULD BE SUSPICIOUS OF CHIANG KAI-SHEK, THAT HE IS DECEITFUL AND THAT NEGOTIATIONS WITH HIM CAN LEAD NOWHERE. SUCH AN OPINION WAS JUSTIFIED IN THE MEASURE THAT IT IS CERTAIN THAT THE KUOMINTANG AND THE COMMUNIST PARTY WILL FIGHT. HOWEVER, THAT WAS ONLY ONE ASPECT OF THE QUESTION. IT WAS NECESSARY TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THREE MAIN FACTORS: THE POWER OF THE LIBERATED REGIONS, THE OPPOSITION OF THE PEOPLE OF THE GREAT REAR AND THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION. THE KUOMINTANG, WHICH ALWAYS REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE THE EQUAL STATUS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, IS NOW OBLIGED TO DO SO. SINCE THEY WANT TO BE REALISTS, WE SHALL BE REALISTS TOO.

MAO SAID THAT CONCESSIONS ARE NECESSARY, FOR AS LONG AS WE RESPECT THE PRINCIPLE OF NEVER HARMING THE FUNDAMENTAL INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE, CERTAIN CONCESSIONS ARE PERMITTED TO OBTAIN IN EXCHANGE PEACE AND DEMOCRACY, OF WHICH THE PEOPLE AS A WHOLE HAVE NEED.

AND MAO ADDED: THE CAPITALIST AND COMMUNIST COUNTRIES WILL FINALLY REACH A COMPROMISE ON A GREAT NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL QUESTIONS, BECAUSE COMPROMISE WILL BE ADVANTAGEOUS. IT WAS NECESSARY TO BE BOTH OPTIMISTIC AND REALISTIC, BECAUSE, IN A WORD, THE FUTURE IS RADIANT, BUT OUR ROAD IS TORTUOUS.

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